

Mr. Dulles:

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[redacted] just before
He merely
wanted to convey to you certain reactions he has received during
the past week or so around New York. This is based on his own
observations and on various conversations he has had with correspondents
covering the U. N. activities.

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According to [redacted] the discussion among western correspondents,
U. S. and otherwise, is generally unfavorable concerning the effort
the United States has put into its representation at the U. N.
They feel that the U. S. must do a better job, should have more and
higher ranking representation present to cope with the high-ranking
delegations from the rest of the countries, and in general the entire
U. S. effort needs stronger leadership and a considerable beefing up.
As one simple illustration, he mentioned that Wadsworth gave a fine
speech the other day but that the same speech by Secretary Herter
would have carried greater weight and would have received a good deal
more press play. He suggested that when you had an opportunity, you
might try and take a look at the article by Rovere in the latest
New Yorker which goes somewhat along these lines.

You probably noticed in Sunday's Washington Post that Chalmers
Roberts also took a strong line similar to the above.

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